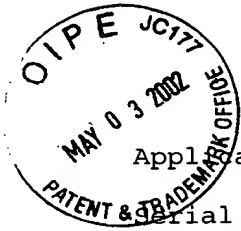


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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner
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May 3, 2002

Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement dated April 3, 2002, applicants hereby elect the Group I, claims 1 and 2, without traverse.

If the Examiner believes that there are any other points which may be clarified or otherwise disposed of, either by telephone discussion or by personal interview, the Examiner is invited to contact applicants' undersigned attorney at the number indicated below.

It is respectfully requested that any shortage in the fee be charged to the account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Account No. 01-2135 (Case No. 566.38877X00).

Respectfully submitted,

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